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The Examiner's courtesy in granting a telephonic interview on April 3, 2006, is acknowledged.

In that interview, Applicant's attorney inquired concerning the Notice of Non-compliant Amendment mailed 03/24/06 herein.

Referring to the Amendment in Response to Office Action dated 08/11/05 filed 11/14/05. Applicant's attorney expressed his belief that pp. 2-10, inclusive, of the 11/14/05 Amendment - - comprising separate section entitled "AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS" and "Listing of Claims" - - fully complied with 37 CFR 1.121 and all other applicable authorities.

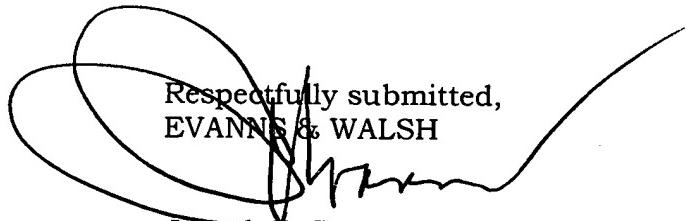
The Examiner reviewed the file and stated that said pages 2-10, inclusive, of the 11/14/05 Amendment appeared to be missing from the PTO file.

Applicant's attorney then described said pages 2-10, inclusive, of the 11/14/05 Amendment as including a separate section (pp. 2-4, inclusive) providing amendments to claims 1,7,9,10,13,14,21,22 and 26 in approved form and a further separate section entitled " - - Listing of Claims - - " in which all claims in the case were listed in ascending numerical order identifying their status and showing amendments.

It was agreed that filing of true, correct and complete copies of the aforesaid pages 2-10, inclusive, of the 11/14/05 Amendment would fully address the issues raised in the pending Notice of Non-compliant Amendment mailed 03/24/06.

Accordingly, annexed hereto and incorporated by reference herein as Exhibit 1 is a true, correct and complete copy of pp. 2-10, inclusive, of Applicant's Amendment in Response to office Action dated 08/11/05, filed 11/14/05.

All formal matters having been addressed, it is respectfully submitted that examination on the merits should proceed.



Respectfully submitted,
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